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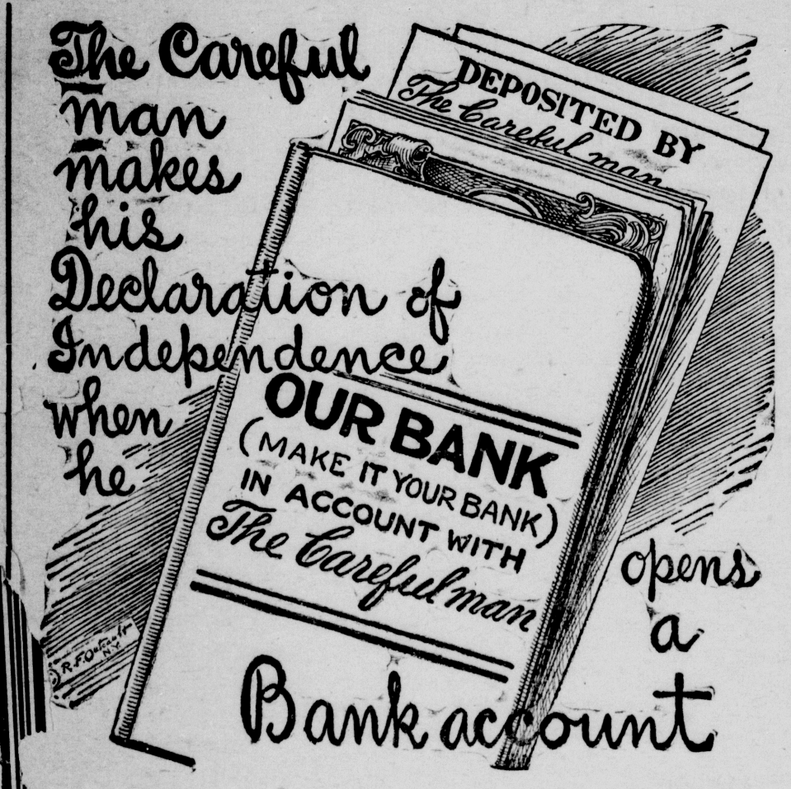

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ng New. LOUIE SHULKEY, Prop.

AVAITOR FOSTER INJURED IN FALL

While Exhibiting Machine Popular Little Birdman Suffers Bad Injury

Charles Lavivian Foster, chief of the aviation corps of the Ingram Co., happened to a serious accident at the drill grounds six miles south of the city Sunday afternoon. A large crowd was out to witness the exhibition flight of Foster with his new machine. The flight was successful, but in alighting the front wheel of the machine struck a deep cow path and turned the ship completely over, throwing Mr. Foster from the seat. He struck on his head and was rendered unconscious. Physicians who were in the crowd watching the demonstration, rushed the injured man to his home in Northeast Decatur. Doctor Ingram worked with him throughout Sunday night and all day Monday and Monday night he was in constant attendance on the injured man. Tuesday morning he regained consciousness and as we go to press he is improving slowly. The injury is said to be on the side of the head.

Decatur Booster Band Gets Reunion Contract

The original Decatur Booster Band was awarded the contract to furnish music for the Old Settlers' reunion and picnic to be held July 11, 12, 13 and 14. The band is putting in some hard work getting in shape for this occasion and will render concerts each day rt the grounds that will be up-to-date and appropriate.

Tuesday evening the band gave an open air concert on the courthouse lawn to an enthusiastic audience, and afterwards played a short concert in front of the theatre. The band will render a concert each Tuesday evening on the courthouse lawn and will play at a different part of the lawn each week in order that all will have the opportunity of enjoying the music.

Tuesday after the open air concert the band rendered a concert at the college, which was enjoyed very much by those in attendance there.

The band appreciates the good will and co-operation extended them by the business men and citizens of Decatur and assures them that they will do all in their power to merit a continuace of same, and the new director, Billy Leeman, states that the boys are working hard and are advancing at an astonishing rate. New music has been received and same will be used at the Old Settlers' reunion.

Service at Baptist Church

There were one hundred and seventy-seven in Sunday school and large crowds at both preaching services. All services next Sunday as usual. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preaching at both hours by the pastor. The pastor will speak at the night service on "Submission," and urges a large attendance of the citizenship to hear this important discussion. Special music will be provided. Large crowds are expected and a good day all around is anticipated. You are invited.

HARLAN J. MATTHEWS, Pastor.

Mr. R. N. Wheelock, a prominent farmer of Greenwood, this week gives our farmer readers the benefit of a labor-saving plan for picking up the fallen cotton squares stung by the boll weevil. Small nails are driven thickly into a board and the board nailed to the end of a broom-stick. With this implement the operator can gather the fallen squares without stooping, cleaning the squares off the nails into a sack. This simple plan will double the ability of the worker, besides being so much easier than stooping. Try the plan.

Leave your laundry on porch Tuesdays. Telephone us, we will do the rest. Hardwick & McDaniel.

Some weighty members of the finny tribe are being caught in West Fork.

RENDITIONS ARE SAME AS IN 1915

High School Board Comes to Relief of Citizens Excited By Appraisers

Upon being informed by the Decatur high school board that a raise in property valuations was not necessary to prolong the high school term, from 6 to 9 months, the committee appointed by Mayor St. Clair to make the necessary boost, met one day this week and put the valuations back where they were last year. The school board claims there will be sufficient funds under the old rendition to run the school for nine months. This will be welcome news to the citizens who seriously objected to the "boost" in their property valuations. What plans the school board has to meet the expense of nine months school with taxable valuables at figures that the old school board decreed insufficient to meet the expense of a nine-month school, are not known. True the teachers' salaries have been reduced, but we wonder if this reduction in salaries is of sufficient amount to run the school for three months longer than terms of last year and the year before. The responsibility of operating the school for nine months has been placed up to the school board, Messrs. Moss, Gose and Ball, the committee appointed by the mayor, having performed their duties.

Notice To Trustees and Teachers

In order that I may make out a list of the newly elected teachers in the county please send in at once the contracts of your teachers. This must be looked after at once. A few teachers of the county have not sent in their final report. These reports must come in within the next ten days. Please attend to this promptly.

I find that a number of the school buildings in the county are not looked after promptly. I trust the trustees will see that libraries and buildings are kept closed during the vacation months. I find that many school houses are being damaged considerably by rains, etc. on account of the windows and doors being wide open. See that the school house is closed and cared for during the vacation period. BRANDON TRUSSELL,
County Superintendent.

Halsell Says Bailey Hurts Cause

Some want J. W. Bailey at the reunion: some want him back on Wall street.

There are people in Decatur and Wise county who would have Bailey, (the friend of the Brewers and wholesale liquor dealers,) speak at the reunion regardless of the consequences to submission and prohibition and in utter disregard of the feelings of a great many patriotic citizens who know him to be the most dangerous menace to good government our state has ever been troubled with. We will get rid of the liquor traffic in Texas when men think more of the interest of homes, schools and churches, and the security of their children, than they do of hero worship in politics.

H. H. HALSELL.
(Advertisement)

Thomas Thumb is the name of the latest addition to J. H. Mecaskey's herd of Shetlands. The colt is the smallest Shetland ever seen in Decatur. He measures 32 inches in height and weighs 47 pounds. While on exhibition here Monday in the show window at the Collins & Stokes grocery hundreds of people saw the colt. Mr. Mecaskey has refused a handsome price for the little animal.

The following elective and appointive officers of the I. O. O. F. lodge were installed last Tuesday night: D. L. Kisner, N G; W. M. Malone, V G; W. B. Watkins, secretary; J. G. Dickson, chaplin; J. E. Bowden, warden; W. R. Jefferies, conductor; G. S. Donald, R S to N G; J. H. Rogers, L S to N G; G. T. Roach, R S to V G; Otto Lambert, L S to V G; J. L. Jeffries, I S Guardian; J. G. Province, O. S. Guardian.

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Local News

There will be no issue of the Messenger next week.

Walter Spencer spent two days in Bridgeport this week.

The Decatur Boy Scouts will sell pure cold drinks at their old stand at the reunion, and will appreciate your patronage. The boys will also operate a free service and information bureau at their stand.

Walter Owen attended a big fish-fry on West Fork on the Glorious Fourth and he reports "more fish than he knew what to do with."

Mrs. Julia Tiley returned last week from several months' visit with relatives in Rayado, N. M.

Mrs. Tom Rosenburg of Roswell, N. M., has been visiting the family of Jim Booth, west of town.

Leon St. Clair is in Chicago taking a summer course in Chicago Univeraity.

Visit the Majestic while at the reunion next week.

Hon. B. Y. Cummings of Hillsboro, will speak at the reunion July 12, 2 p. m., in the interest of Gov. Ferguson.

Jim Booth, living west of town, was in to see the Messenger yesterday and he told us that his cotton was in good condition. Jim has rigged his plow up in such a manner that punctured squares are knocked from the stalk and in falling to the ground they are covered by the plow. He says the hot weather of the past few days has done much in stopping the weevils' depredations,

Alvord ball team defeated Bridgeport four games during the picnic Pansy Payne and Eagle Gunn played with Bridgeport, while Walker Patterson played with Alvord.

Grady Helm, manager for Pierce-Fordice Oil Co. at Abilene, was here Monday.

The wheat crop in Wise county is averaging around 11 bushels, according to reports.

In the early prohibition fight in Texas Senator John G. Willacy gained a reputation which few achieved. The author of the famous Willacy Bill will be a leading speaker on Old Settler's day at the reunion. Judge McKinsey also will speak. Judge McKinsey captived his crowds at the last reunion and will doubtless do so again. Other features are in preparation for Old Settlers' day.

Mr. Ira Stepp of this city, and Mrs. Rosa Gifford of Strang, Okla., were married in Chico Thursday evening, June 29, Rev. Whittaker officiating. Mr. Stepp is well and favorably known in this county and is a splendid gentleman who has many friends. The bride has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sam Carl, for some weeks. She has made many friends while in Decatur. Messenger joins the friends of the couple in extending congratulations.

Miss Ruth Williams entertained last Friday night with a 42-party in honor of Misses Lela Nash, Stella Mjaaland and Lillian Krauss of Kaufman. Quite a number of young people were present and a most enjoyable evening is reported. Refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Clotilde Davis, Jewel Ingram Christine Stuckey, Louise Jarrett, Bessie Coleman, Stella Mjaaland, Lillian Krauss, Lela Nash; Mesdames B. B. Sellars, W. T. Williams; Messrs. Gregg, Lambert, Schulkey, Guinn Williams, Jr., Scott, Todd.

Methodist Snnday School

Our attendance is holding up well as summer draws on. Following shows attendance for past five Sundays:

June 4.....226
June 11.....218
June 18.....220
June 25. Storm drove many away.
Estimated attendance.....200
July 2.....202

Everybody is urged to attend Sunday school even if the weather is hot. Our church is one of the very coolest places in town. Show your loyalty by staying with your Sunday school.

OUTLER D. GOSE, Supt.

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Fresh Fish and Oysters

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WORKS WITH SECRETARY'S AID

In Spite of His Ninety Years H. W. McFadden of Havana, Ill., Attends to Business With Same Vigor That Enabled Him to Build Up One of Largest Estates In County.

Havana, Ill.—H. W. McFadden, who has just returned from a surveying trip to his farms in the eastern part of Mason county, is considered one of the most remarkable business men in this part of the state. Mr. McFadden is ninety years old and is entirely deaf and almost blind. He looks after his business with the same interest and vigor that enabled him to build up one of the largest estates in the county.

All his work is done through a secretary, who must copy all of his letters. This is done with a large black marking crayon in letters two inches high. Not only does he read all his mail in this way, but he is also intensely interested in the European war, and all of the war news from the papers must be copied for him.

Mr. McFadden is a native of New York state and came to Illinois when a young man of twenty-two, without any more than a good education and a sound mind and body. He first settled in Peoria, where he served as county surveyor for six years. In 1862 he came to Havana and built the first elevator here. Five years later he established the Mason County bank, the oldest financial institution in the county, of which he is now the president. A short time later he went to Peoria, where he built the Central City elevator, the first elevator to be built in Peoria. Later he established the system of elevators in Cass, Menard and Mason counties now operated by McFadden & Co., of which his sons, G. C. McFadden and B. H. McFadden, have the controlling interest.

From the very first Mr. McFadden had acquired land whenever he had an opportunity to get a good contract. He started while surveyor of Peoria county and now is the owner of about 3,000 acres in Mason county, as well as thousands of acres of the best land in Kansas, located in Coffey county. He also owns a number of store buildings in Havana, three large buildings in Chicago and extensive town and city property in Waverly and Halls Summit, Kan.

He is one of the most public spirited men in Havana and has been so all his life. He can tell interesting stories of the great political campaigns of the days before the war, when the rival political parties would erect tall poles and have great celebrations around them. Followers of each party in a community would strive to erect a pole taller than the one erected by the rival faction. Poles hundreds of feet high were put up, every man and boy in the community coming out to help.

Again, when the civil war broke out he was a most ardent admirer of the north and tried many times to enlist, but his poor hearing, a family heritage, was against him, and he was refused. Twice he tried to slip into the ranks and go to the front anyway, but he was sent home each time. Nevertheless, he spent large sums of money for the cause in the north and encouraged all ablebodied men to go and fight for the Union.

SAYS SHRINE CURED HER.

Young Woman Who Had Been an Invalid For Years Now Well.

Lima, O.—Kathleen Daugherty, twenty-one years old, for eleven years an invalid and unable to move about except in a wheeled chair, stepped from a train here and was greeted by a crowd of fully fifty persons. She had been cured, it is said, at the shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at Carey during the annual pilgrimage.

Miss Ella McAuliffe, an aged aunt of the girl, was at the depot. She was the first one to greet the young woman. "Auntie, I'm cured!" cried the girl. The aunt, completely overcome, fainted.

The girl had been unable to move a muscle of her body since a mere child, when she was stricken with paralysis. For two years she was partially blind. She made the pilgrimage to Carey with 700 others from Lima and vicinity. She is cured and apparently permanently so. She left her wheeled chair at the shrine in Carey.

RIP IN TROUSERS ANGERS HIM

Didn't Mind Dog Biting Wooden Leg, but Pants Called For Gun Play.

St. Louis, Mo.—When Mrs. Rosie Silberman's dog bit Michael Ehrhardt's leg the other day in East St. Louis Ehrhardt thought the joke was on the dog until he looked down and saw that his trousers were torn.

This made him angry, and he drew his revolver and fired two shots at the dog. Mrs. Silberman had Ehrhardt arrested for discharging firearms in the city limits.

The dog's mistake in selection took place in front of his owner's grocery store, at Sixth street and Piggot avenue. The leg he bit was made of wood

Pigeons Influenced by Wireless.

Paris.—French scientists have decided that carrier pigeons are influenced by magnetism and that, with the growth of wireless telegraphy, much less dependence can be placed upon them.

Required to Pay More In England Than In New York.

GAVE HELP IN OTHER WAYS.

At Time Self Expatriated American Attained the Peerage It Was Estimated He Gave $5,000,000 to Various Objects In England—Donated $500,000 to Red Cross.

New York.—Not all of William Waldorf Astor's income from his American investments will be required to pay the $1,680,000 which the British government is taxing him this year.

It is a fact, however, that the tax he pays abroad is greater by several hundred thousand dollars than the amount he pays on his properties here in New York.

In the tax collection now under way Mr. Astor is required to pay $567,000 on his real estate in Manhattan. This is a semiannual payment, so that his total for the year will be approximately $1,134,000 for Manhattan. To this must be added his taxes in the Bronx, making his total payments to the city nearly $1,250,000 this year.

Mr. Astor, having expatriated himself and become Lord Astor of Hever, is not subjected to taxation here for his personal property. What he has to pay toward the expenses of the city and state which he left behind is

Photo by American Press Association.

WILLIAM WALDORF ASTOR.

shown therefore in his real estate taxes, plus his income tax, no figures about which are available.

A great many estimates have been made as to the extent of the Astor real estate holdings in this city, but it has been difficult to get satisfactory information until now. Confusion has overtaken inquirers because of the extensive holdings of the John Jacob Astor estate as well as of William Waldorf Astor. Some of these properties formerly were held jointly, and Lord Astor still appears as only part owner of one of the most valuable of the Astor properties, the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

The records of the department of taxes and assessments, however, have been worked out so carefully that it is now possible to get a definite idea of William Waldorf Astor's total real estate holdings.

Fifty million dollars, the official records show, is the approximate market value of his various properties in Manhattan and the Bronx. The bulk of these holdings, as is generally known, is in Manhattan, but Mr. Astor has in recent years added somewhat to his holdings in the Bronx until these latter properties represent about $4,000,000.

What annual income Lord Astor derives from these properties is known only to his agents here, and the estimates of outsiders vary greatly. Some of his holdings produce a high rate of income, while some are regarded as very poor earners. The opinion of real estate men as to the average income from all of the properties covers quite a wide range. Some guesses are that Lord Astor receives not more than $2,500,000 a year from these properties, while other real estate men place his annual receipts from this source at twice that amount. If his holdings bring in an average of 7 per cent, not taking taxes into account, that would represent $3,500,000 as an average year's income. Deducting from that amount the 1916 taxes, calculated at $1,250,000, there remains $2,250,000 of income upon which the Baron of Hever can draw to pay his British taxes.

Payment of taxes is not the only way by which the earnings of these Astor properties have helped the British. At the time William Waldorf Astor attained to the peerage it was estimated that he had given at least $5,000,000 to various objects in England. Since the war began he has given $500,000 to the Red Cross and $50,000 for bands to stir interest in recruiting. It also is estimated that he has spent $10,000,000 on Hever castle.

Embedded In Tree 100 Years.

Sandusky, O.—A whetstone and an ax said to be over a hundred years old were found embedded in the trunk of a tree which is known to be 115 years old by Edward Smith while cutting the tree down. It is believed that the tree once was hollow near the ground and the articles were placed in the hollow part for safe keeping and that the tree grew together.

Chevrolet Makes Thirty-Three Miles on Gallon of Gasoline in Test Conducted at New Orleans

The "New Orleans Daily States," issue of April 11, contains an interesting account of a gasoline test made with a Chevrolet car. It says:

"Thirty-three and one-tenth miles on one gallon of gasoline is a record made by a Chevrolet car in an official test made in Canal street Sunday afternoon. The test was made in order to prove that the high cost of gasoline need have no terrors for a Chevrolet owner, and the result has placed this heretofore important question in the background.

"A Chevrolet car, owned and used in the rental and jitney business by Joseph Ravimier, 2826 Canal street, was driven to the front of the Daily States office Sunday afternoon, where D. K. Roberts, automobile editor of the States, drained the tank and then poured back one gallon only. At exactly twenty-three minutes after two, the car started on a non-stop run, with four passengers. Roberts rode as official observer and took the speedometer reading before starting and at the end of the run.

"The route selected was from the river in Canal street to the cemeteries. The car made the round trip more than five times, while interested spectators stood on the street wondering how many times the car could come back on the original gallon of fuel.

"Many stops had to be made between Camp and Rampart streets, but the motor was kept running the entire time at an average of eighteen miles an hour. The test was an actual one and the running represented the average demand made on an automobile.

"After the thirty-third mile had registered, the exhaust pipe began to spit and the end of the run was evident. Another tenth showed on the speedometer, however, before the car gave up absolutely for the want of fuel and marked the end of the test, the record of which is well worth being proud of by the Woodring-Hamilton Motor Co., local distributers for the Chevrolet cars.

"Andrew Cappetta, better known as "Midget," salesman connected with the Woodring-Hamilton Company, trailed the test car after the fourth round had been made. He carried a supply of gasoline with him to be put in the tank after the test was over so that the car could be driven back.

"The car sputtered and came to a full stop in front of a house numbered 3030 Canal street, where a fresh supply of fuel was fed to the tank, and the entire party returned to the telegraph office. A wire was immediately sent to Russell E. Gardner, who is at the head of the Chevrolet Motor Company at St. Louis, advising him of the record made.

"Theo. Frank, head of the local house, stated that he was confident that the Chevrolet would do itself proud, but did not expect more than twenty-eight or twenty-nine miles on one gallon."

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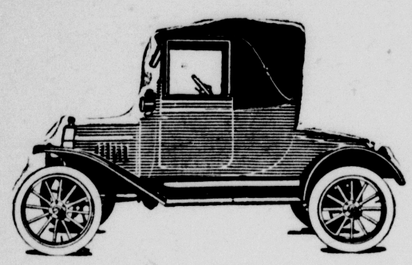

The Boyd News

J. S. and Edgar Procter, Editors, Boyd, Texas

rs. Sarah Grandstaff was called ort Worth Monday by the sad in-gence that her brother-in-law, e Jones, had died the night be-.

s. Dora Procter of Paris, has here with friends since our last.

M. Read visited the family of n, at Fort Worth first ek.

lorious Fourth carried away our citizens to the big picnic port, a few to Fort Worth ebrate, and a large number to Slough to a big fishfry. A few stayed here to keep the town nning away.

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C. Newsom and family visited ir old home in Parnin ty

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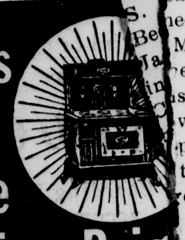

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For Public Weigher, Prect. 4
J. M. JARVIS

For Public Weigher, Prec. 5—
B. S. (Barney) WISE

For Commissioner, Prects. 4 and 5,
J. M. PORTWOOD
W. C. (Grant) BLACKWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zorns of Fort Worth, visited Mr. Zorn's homefolk, R. A. Zorns and family.

A letter to a friend from Mrs. Beulah Abernathy, who is with her sick mother at Wewoka, Okla., says her mother is still very sick and she has no idea when she will be likely to return.

Miss Addie Moore of Keene, arrived Sunday for a visit to the family of her brother, D. F.

Rev. I. J. Hill has gone to Hugo, Okla., near which place he will be engaged for some time in a protracted meeting.

D. F. Moore, Lawrence Goodger and Joe Wren were Fort Worth visitors Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Dewees of Newark, visited relatives here part of last week.

Jim Hannah Brown and family of Saginaw, visited relatives and friends here during the past week.

W. E. Prescott of Paducah, candidate for congress, was here one day last week in the interest of his candidacy.

D. F. Moore and family visited in Fort Worth last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Fatheree and Barton and Miss Grace McCullough of Fort Worth arrived here last Friday, leaving immediately for a camping trip on the river.

Mrs. W. E. Coleman, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Stamps of Deep Creek community returned Friday last to her home at Cedar Hill, being accompanied by Mrs. Nancy Berry.

Mrs. W. J. Redford and Mrs. N. E. Royster, who had been visiting Dr. W. E. Redford and family, returned last Friday to their home at Fort Worth.

Mrs. J. L. Bland and children of Jacksboro, arrived here last Friday for a visit to friends and former neighbors. They were joined by Mr. Bland Sunday.

Reuben M. Ellerd of Plainview, candidate for congress, was here last Friday and spoke to a number of voters.

Miss Belpha Redford has been visiting friends at Bridgeport several days.

Miss Lillie Belle Goodger left Sunday for a visit with the family of her brother, Jeff, at Waurika, Okla.

Ermine Smith visited relatives and friends at Paradise since our last.

Will Wilkinson of Newark, visited his mother and other relatives here Sunday.

W. E. Munn was a Springtown visitor Saturday.

Miss Etal Davis left Saturday for her home near Bridgeport.

Spencer Procter visited relatives at Bridgeport Sunday, being accompanied on his return that evening by his brother, Louis, who had been there for some time with a spell of typhoid fever.

CROSSING CONTINENT, HEN SITS WILLINGLY

Three Chicks Extricated When Crate Arrives at Albany, N. Y.—Other Eggs Show Signs.

Albany, N. Y.—A hen which continued to sit while traveling across the continent is the possession of J. W. Wolfrom of this city.

The hen was sitting with motherly devotion upon a nest of eggs which a friend of Mr. Wolfrom placed in a crate in Riverside, Cal., and shipped through a transcontinental express company to this city. She continued to sit, disturbed not in the least by the transcontinental trip. Her protection was a conspicuous placard on the box reading: "Sitting Hen—Eggs Expected to Hatch—Handle With Care." The warning was punctiliously observed by express employees.

When the crate arrived at its destination three downy chicks were extricated from the shells and other eggs gave forth evidences of hatching.

STEALS LOCOMOTIVE TO GO TO DANCE, THEN ESCAPES

Montana Youth Sends Engine Running Wild After Reaching Destination.

Bozeman, Mont.—"By George, I'm going to that dance at Paxton's somehow!" an unknown young man declared here when informed there would be no trains going east for some time. He walked over to a lone locomotive, entered the cab and started east, breaking through a closed switch and going out on the main line.

Engineer McVicker in a locomotive was traveling toward this city when he noticed the block system registered danger. He saw the smoke of an engine approaching and stopped his engine. His fireman jumped, and McVicker reversed his engine. Fireman Boehling caught the approaching engine, climbed into the cab, found it "driverless" and brought it to a stop a short distance from McVicker's engine.

No trace of the locomotive thief has been found. He evidently jumped when he saw the other engine approaching.

HIS PROPHECY COMES TRUE.

Tree Left Standing as Lightning Rod Is Hit, Barns Untouched.

Islip, N. Y.—A bolt of lightning, the only one in a period of two hours during a thunderstorm here recently, struck and completely demolished a huge locust tree which was more than a century old, and was a well known landmark on the farm of E. F. Davis. The tree was over a hundred feet high, and there was not a branch within forty feet of the ground.

Mr. Davis said that he not long ago refused an offer of $100 for the tree from a man who wanted the trunk for a pole. He did not sell it, he said, as his father had always argued that the tree should be left where it stood because it might some day be hit by lightning which otherwise might hit the barns close by.

ROBINS TRAVEL BY TRAIN.

Build Nest Under Car and Hatches Three Little Ones.

Vancouver, Wash.—When a box car was pulled into this city the other day for repairs it was found that a robin had built her nest under the car and had hatched three young ones.

When the car was pushed on the repair track the mother bird flew around greatly excited and could not be driven away. The men searched the car and found the nest. They put the nest in a small box, cut a hole in it and nailed it to a post.

The mother bird took possession immediately and is feeding her young numerous times daily.

The Gold Brick Man

spotted Uncle by his whiskers He should have disguised himself by having them removed at our barber shop.

RANGERS SEIZE BULLETS.

SEVERAL THOUSAND AND DYNAMITE FOUND AT EAGLE PASS.

Texas rangers, armed with search warrants, visited several Mexican residences at Eagle Pass, Tex. Several thousand rifle cartridges, sticks of dynamite, fuses and other explosives discovered in the buildings were seized.

A strong protest by Eagle Pass citizens against exports of corn to Mexico was sent to Washington.

Guns of the Third field artillery were placed in the pits and trained on Piedras Negras General Greene, in command of the Eagle Pass district, has taken every precaution against a surprise attack by Mexico.

Strong fortifications are being erected at the army post facing Rio Grande river, these being precautions against the possibility of attack by the Mexican de facto government troops at Piedras Negras

The Business of Life.

Our business is now to make the most of this great and beautiful experiment of living, to leave behind us flowers for beauty and fruit for use, to make our life a harmony, our ending a serenity and our awaking an eternal joy.—John Page Hobbs.

Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Wise. By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Wise county, on the 20th day of June, 1916, by Lory D. White, clerk of said court, against H. F. Bramer as maker and J. J. Egan as endorser for the sum of five hundred and eighty-one dollars and ninety cents (581.90) and costs of suit, in cause No. 4012 in said court, styled W. E. Redford, H. F. Brammer, et al. and placed in my hands for service, I, J. Lee Mann, as sheriff of Wise county, did, on the 22nd day of June, 1916, levy on certain real estate, situated in Wise county, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: A part of northwest quarter of saction No. 20 of the M E P & P Ry Co sur, on the waters of West Fork about 17 miles southeast from Decatur, Wise county, Texas, and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the west line of said survey 475 vrs, south of the northwest corner of same; thence south 475 vrs, to the southwest corner of same; thence east 950 vrs. to the southeast corner of same; thence north 950 vrs, to the northeast corner of the same; thence west 475 vrs to a stake in the north line of said quarter section; thence south 475 vrs, thence west 475, to the place of beginning. And it is ordered and adjudged by the court that Defendant C. P. Cowser do, have and recover of Defendant H. F. Bramer the sum of two hundred and forty-seven dollars and forty-four cents (247.44) together with his cost incured herein. After said above described land has been sold it is ordered that the proceeds be first applied to the payment of the cost of such sale, then to the satisfaction of the claims of Plaintiff and Defendant COwser: but if said land shall not sell for enough to fully satisfy both of said claims then it is ordered that such proceeds be applied on each of said claims in proportion to their respective amounts and levied upon as the property of said H. F. Bramer as maker and J. J. Eagan as endorser. And on Tuesday, the first day of August, 1916, at the courthouse door of Wise county, in the city of Decatur, Texas. between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said land at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said H. F. Bramer and J. J. Eagan, by virtue of said levy and said order of sale. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wise County Messenger, a newspaper published in Wise county.

Witness my hand, this 22nd day of June, 1916. J. LEE MANN, Sheriff, Wise county, Texas. (7-14)

RHEUMATISM ARRESTED

Many people suffer the tortures of lame muscles and stiffened joints because of impurities in the blood, and each succeeding attack seems more acute until rheumatism has invaded the whole system.

To arrest rheumatism it is quite as important to improve your general health as to purify your blood, and the cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion is nature's great blood-maker, while its medicinal nourishment strengthens the organs to expel the impurities and upbuild your strength.

Scott's Emulsion is helping thousands every day who could not find other relief. Refuse the alcoholic substitutes.

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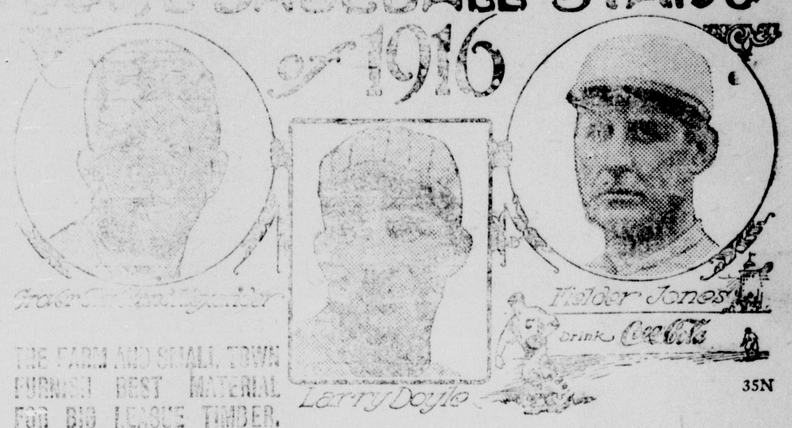
SOME BASEBALL STARS of 1916



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Looking over the roster of the big league baseball teams you will find name after name of men who only recently were boys on the farm or in the village or small town. On the other hand, surprisingly few hail from the big cities. And yet, this is not so surprising after all. Even laying aside our knowledge of the big part that the so-called country boy has always played in the great affairs of business and the nation, the country is the place to lay the foundation necessary for athletes.

The photographs shown are familiar to all lovers of the great National game. In addition to their being representatives of their type in the baseball world, all of these stalwart athletes are great endorsers of that beverage you know and like so well—Coca-Cola.

Short Histories of the Players.

JONES, Fielder Allison, Manager of St. Louis Browns. Born August 13, 1871, at Wilkie House, Pa. Last season he came within one-half game of winning Federal League pennant, finishing nearer the top than any team in major leagues since the Browns in 1889.

He says Coca-Cola is his favorite beverage.

ALEXANDER, Grover Cleveland, Pitcher Philadelphia Nationals. Born in St. Paul, Nebraska, February 26, 1887, and lives on a farm there now.

Alexander is one of the greatest pitchers in the game today, being practically responsible for the Philadelphia National League team winning the pennant last year. Drafted by Philadelphia in August, 1910, with whom he has since played. He warmly endorses Coca-Cola as a drink for athletes.

DOYLE, Lawrence, Captain New York National League Club. Born at Caseyville, Ill., July 31, 1886. Second baseman.

He has played with the New York Nationals since 1907, and was appointed Captain in 1912, which position he has since held with them. Leading hitter of the National League for the season of 1915. Like all the best of them he is a staunch believer in Coca-Cola.

There is, by the way, a wonderful similarity between the origin of these ball players and that of the beverage which they endorse. Coca-Cola might be called an agricultural drink, both from the materials it is made of and because of its great popularity in the country as well as in the city. For Coca-Cola, if ever there was a natural, wholesome beverage, is such—it itself is a gift from Nature. Made from Nature's pure water, flavored with the juices of fine fruits and things that grow and sweetened with Nature's purest, finest sugar—and please particularly remember this last—Coca-Cola contains no artificial sweetening matter but just the best of pure cane sugar. It is this fine combination that gives Coca-Cola its deliciousness of flavor, its distinctively refreshing and thirst-quenching qualities and great wholesomeness. That's why ball players, athletes, fans—all classes and kinds of men and women drink and endorse Coca-Cola. Drink a glass or a bottle and you will be just as enthusiastic about it.

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Together with 45c cash for the regular $1.00 bottle of "THE ONE" KIDNEY REMEDY, containing 60 days treatment for man and 90 days for a woman. "The One" is not recommended for everything, but if you suffer from annoying bladder troubles, frequently passing water night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick, dust or sediment, headache, backache, lame back, dizziness, poor digestion, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, lumbago, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, may be loss of flesh or sallow complexion, kidney trouble in its worst form may be stealing upon you.

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No doubt you are, if you suffer from any of the numerous ailments to which all women are subject. Headache, backache, sideache, nervousness, weak, tired feeling, are some of the symptoms, and you must rid yourself of them in order to feel well. Thousands of women, who have been benefited by this remedy, urge you to

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Farm Telephone Saved Child's Life

One of the Children fell into a water tank and was rescued unconscious and apparently lifeless.

The frantic mother telephoned to the doctor six miles away, and he started at once. In the meantime his assistant telephoned instructions and the mother restored the child to consciousness before the doctor arrived.

The telephone service saved the child's life.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Our Platform
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For United States Senator
T. M. CAMPBELL.

For State Senator
GEO. M. HOPKINS

For Representative
FRENCH SPENCER

For District Judge
F. O. MCKINSEY

For County Judge
J. W. WALKER

For Sheriff
LEE MANN

For County Attorney
WILL SHULTS
M. W. BURCH

For County Assessor
D. A. (Doc) SHOWN.
M. L. WALKER.
BILL ROWLETT.
GRANGER BLEWETT
LUTHER BELEW
JOHN CASEY

For District Clerk
LORY D. WHITE
W. V. CUNNINGHAM

For Tax Collector
DAVE DICKSON

For Treasurer
J. C. ALEXANDER

For County Clerk
JOHN E. BOYD

For Supt. Public Instruction
BRANDON TRUSSELL

For Commissioner Precs. 1 and 6
J. L. JEFFRIES
W. B. SPLAWN

For Public Weigher Prec. 1
J. P. DAVENPORT
J. M.TRUSSELL

For Constable of Prec. No. 1
CHAS. HARDWICK
WALTER WOOD.

Cut the weeds.

Vote for submission.

Keep on picking 'em up.

What about that county fair?

Gov. James has abandoned his speech-making tour. Wonder why?

Carranza is cooling off since Teddy Roosevelt showed symptoms of hostility.

Boost for your candidate; allow your neighbor the right to boost for his favorite.

In the meantime make arrangements to spend four days next week at Joe Wheeler park.

More than a million punctured cotton squares were burned in Tyler one day last week.

Colquitt men, Henry men and Culberson are advising pros to support Prof. Brooks. It's funny.

Skirts are fuller, but there doesn't seem to be anything more in the waists, observes an exchange.

Three qualified voters can put a fellow in a race, then it requires three hundred or more to get him out.

The friends of Congressman John Stephens claim it is dangerous to swap horses while fording a stream.

No, Buddie. the ownership of an automobile does not carry the right to over-ride laws and the rights of other citizens.

The pioneers of the Wonderful County and the old soldiers of th

Reports from the cities of Texas, where the laboring men are organized, are to the effect that they are rallying to their champion, Tom Campbell.

Aside from the provocations arising during the past months, Mexico is due a drubbing for propagating the nawsty weevil.

More beautiful women and more of the same can be seen along the sands at Galveston at this season than at any place on the Texas coast.

The labor unions in Brownwood gathered in their respective halls when Tom Campbell came to town and marched down to give their friend a rousing reception.

One of Wise county's most prominent anti pros was this week advising John G. Gose, a life-long pro, to support Prof. S. P. Brooks for senator.

More than seventy-five thousand members of union labor organizations in the cities of Texas are rallied to the banner of Thomas Mitchell Campbell.

Word comes from Fort Worth to the effect that Claud Callan has acquired an automobile. No particulars are given, but the police force is investigating.

Some fellows hold that all things are fair in politics. In Messenger's opinion the man who will rob a ballot box will rob a widow's corn patch. Stealing is stealing.

Fort Worth is now claiming rank with Delightful Decatur. The Panther Town boasts that it has a girl who resembles Mary Pickford. Decatur has been in the Theda Barra class for months.

There is no fixed rule in life for the benefit of mankind, remarks an exchange, citing that Samson got into trouble because he got his hair cut and Absalom got into trouble because he didn't.

Is the office worth the strife, the ill feeling and the severing of friendship of years' standing! Why inject bitterness, why deal in abuse and vituperation that makes enemies of friends. No office within the gift of the people is worth it.

Tom Campbell's record as governor is the stumbling block for the fellow who is endeavoring to hookwink the farmers and organized laborers of Texas. Campbell's record shows up the extravagance and high taxes saddled on the people by other administrations.

Messrs. W. D. Stratton of New York and Tom Erwin of Weatherford accompanied by the railroad company's engineer, were here a while yesterday going over the proposed route of the C. W. & G. from Gainesville to Weatherford. The party did not give out anything on the railroad situation other than, "Everything is looking good."—Bridgeport Times.

The Alvord News last week settled the senatorial controversy that has swayed this old state for months. While the News' decision oppresses us, we feel sure that the candidates, Messrs. Campbell, Henry, Brooks, Culberson, Colquitt, and the others will feel relieved, as campaigns cost money and the work is trying on the physical man. The News' political prophet announces that Brooks is as good as elected senator. Thanks, Council. Now we'll return to work.

Messenger admits that a majority of the members of the Baptist churches in Wise county are supporting Prof. Brooks of Baylor university for United States senator, and this good paper finds no occasion for a fuss with these splendid people upon that score. Many of them are per-

men, Pres. Ward of Decatur Baptist College, C. B. Gunn, Prof. Rosser, J. E. Boyd and other prominent Baptists who are now pushing the interests of the Baylor man, will be lined up for Tom Campbell. And, we'll need 'em, for in the Palestine patriot the interests of greed and graft in Texas see trouble ahead and they will put up the contest of their lives. If Brooks was out of the race, these good Baptists would enthusiastically support Campbell. They believe in the man; they know he stands for the interests of the people.

HOSTILE!

The Chico Review continues its hostile demonstrations against what it terms the "Decatur ring." Editor Whitehead had on an extra coat of war paint and his arsenal had received a new supply of munitions when he wrote the following: "We have in Wise county today the best organized ring of grafters that ever appealed to a people for support. They want you to join their click and they make the appeal to your prejudice and would have you believe that they are working for your interests. They care no more for your interests than they do for the Hottentots of Africa. Will the people of Wise county be deceived by the hypocritical pretensions of that bunch of political grafters at Decatur, who have run the politics of Wise county for years? This writer has attended three county conventions at Decatur and each one was presided over by the same man, each convention had the same delegates, the same speakers who shed great crocodile tears for the voters of Wise county. It is a shame, but how can it be helped? Tne people seem to love to be humbugged. The ring was strong for Love for national committeeman. They had their henchmen all fixed for the fight, and they won in this county. Will the intelligent voters of Wise county ever wake up and fight for justice and a square deal? Will this bunch of grafters be allowed to make monkeys of the intelligent voters and taxpayers of Wise county? It is a shame and the most intelligent people in this county know it, then it is high time to swat the ring and swat it good and hard. What do you say, good people?"

A TRUTH HALF TOLD IS THE WORST KIND OF FALSEHOOD

My compliments (?) to James E. Ferguson, political adventurer and opportunist: There's a homely old saying, to the effect that "A truth half told is the worst kind of falsehood." You demonstrated the correctness of this old adage most forcibly in Dallas in your speech on last Wednesday night. No ward-heeler or low-cunning politician ever made a more perfect illustration of it. You falsified against public men whose shoe laces you are unworthy to untie. You distorted and otherwise misrepresented legislative history and public affairs in your own interest most shamelessly. I sat and listened to you and pitied you. You proceeded on the theory of the ward-heller and political opportunist that "Everything goes in politics." You are parading before the people of Texas as a self-sacrificing statesman. You have not the first elementary qualification of a statesman. You are attempting to make your vulgar political ignorance pass muster for official capacity and your political low-cunning act as a substitute for statesmanship. It's a far cry from the intellectual merits of Richard Coke and Oran M. Roberts to the ignoramus endowments of James E. Ferguson. Your speech in Dallas bristled with suggestive slanders and libels and was an insult to every intelligent, honest, capable man and politician in Texas. I claim the right and duty as a member of the Texas senate and as a conscientious newspaper man to expose you as a full-fledged political mountebank and your methods as those of a brazen, case-hardened falsifier.

By insinuation and inuendo, without calling my name or the names of my associates in the Robertson law referendum campaign you referred to us as "political crooks and grafters" If there be any such among us we have been unable to out-do or even reach the eminence of yourself or your small group of political lackeys and boot-lickers in that particular. You, by insinuation, declared that the Robertson law campaign that I have had the honor to thus far direct in its practical workings, has been tinctured with bribery and other wrong-doing. This you knew was not true. You tried to impress your hearers with the conviction that certain men, whose names you did use, were connected with this Robertson law campaign. You either knew they were not even remotely thus connected, or your ignorance of the matter is so dense that you were not justified in speaking on the subject.

In your fulsome praise of yourself

affairs I have not a word of criticism. In these matters I hold you in high regard. But in politics I consider you to be absolutely without conscience, and I rate you as a full-grown flim flammer and a post-graduated campaign faker.

In next week's issue of the Dallas Democrat I shall not only review your Dallas speech, but shall tell the facts about some public affairs which you have so grossly misrepresented. Somebody ought to "take the lid off." I shall make an effort to do so. —J. C. McNEALUS in Dallas Democrat.

Official Red Tape.

A man sent 10 cents in postage stamps to the patent office at Washington for two copies of a patent. The stamps were returned with a letter saying that currency must be sent. The man sent a dime and at the end of a week was informed that the copies of the patent were exhausted and that the treasury department would return his money. A week later the treasury department advised him that it would take three weeks to audit his account and refund his 10 cents. The man had spent 6 cents for postage and the government twice as much. — Leslie's Weekly.

Napoleon.

Napoleon, who rose to be a general of brigade after only eight years' connection with the French army, was shortly after shorn of that honor when Robespierre fell. Yet so adroit a politician was he that by 1795 he was the head of the forces of the convention, though nominally an aid-de-camp to Barras as commander in chief and actually the most effectively powerful man in France.

Twenty Dollar Gold Pieces.

The value of the gold in a twenty dollar gold piece is $20. Copper is used as the alloy, and the intrinsic value of the twenty dollar gold piece would, therefore, be $20 plus the copper used, which, in proportion to the quantity of gold, is one to nine.—New York Times.

Greatest Stimulus to Song.

"Just what, indeed, is the connection between water and melody science has never explained, but a fact it is that the most unmusical soul in the world has only to enter a bathroom to let loose heavenly sounds."—Philip Curtiss in American Magazine.

Appropriate.

Willis—Do you wear any insignia on your golf coat? Gillis—Yes. During the winter the mice laid out a complete eighteen hole course on it.—Judge

REUNION

The Reunion will be here next week. Then is the time that you'll want things like "Mother Used to Make," the kind of good things that, when fixed up rightly, always hit the right spot and gives a hungry man that satisfied feeling.

They say the way to a man's pocketbook is through his stomach. If this be true, feed your husband our groceries and you will never lack for pin money.

Thinking women are planning ahead for their Reunion dinners and lunches. We are not asking you to think fast, yet we want you to think and plan rightly. We want you to know that our groceries have that quality that is the true test of cheapness. We strive to make each new customer a permanent one, and to serve our regular ones with a view of enjoying their continued patronage and good will. When you want distinctive goodness in groceries, something that will make you smack your lips you'll find our store "A Good Place to Trade."

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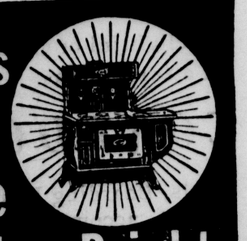

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Greenwood, Texas, July 3, 1916
To the Cotton Growers:

I want to write a few words regarding the boll weevil that is destroying our crop. I know that the boll weevil is here, and is here to stay unless we do something to destroy them. There is only one way to destroy them and that is to pick up the squares and burn them. I believe a better way to pick them up than by hand would be to fix nails in a little plank placing the points downward and having them close enough together so that the squares will crowd in between the nails and then nail the plank to a stick. I think anyone could pick up from four to eight acres per day, but it depends on how large the cotton is and the amount of squares on the ground. If all the farmers will do this we would destroy most of the boll weevil and if we don't do this, I am afraid that our cotton crop will be very short indeed.

R. N. WHEELOCK.

Burning Punctured Squares

Tyler, Texas, July 1—More than a million punctured cotton squares were burned in Tyler this afternoon as the result of prizes aggregating $100 offered by the Tyler Commercial club. It took a wagon with side boards to haul away the squares from the Commercial Club rooms. The Tyler Commercial Club, beginning with today and lasting five weeks, started a campaign against the boll weevil and will give $100 each week, divided into a number of prizes for punctured squares.

G. W. Arms, district agent, and H. W. Acker, special agent for Smith County, of the national farm demonstration work, estimated tonight that today's work of the commercial club would mean the saving of between 3,500 and 4,000 bales of cotton for the county.

The campaign of picking up the punctured squares was commenced only last Wednesday.

Farmer Combats Weevil

Longview, Texas, July 2—The recent rains here have started the boll weevil in earnest and many planters notice that both the common weevil and the snapping kind infest the fields. Several cotton raisers here declare that they can combat the pest by picking up the infected squares that fall off when the egg is deposited. One planter says that he can pick up eight acres daily and says whenever he hears of cotton being ruined by the boll weevil he knows that the man is just lazy. He has picked his cotton five years and has not failed a single time to make a full crop. This planter has induced many to follow his example and in every case they have been entirely successful.

All lost and torn garments cheerfully paid for when sent to the Modern Steam Laundry. Hardwick & McDaniel.

For Sale

300 acre farm on Oliver Creek 10 miles S. E. of Decatur. This has the "Nine-hole" on it

PARADE TO OPEN REUNION TUESDAY

Business Houses To Put on Trade Show

Celebrating the opening of the Joe Wheeler park reunion, the merchants of Decatur will participate in the grand parade Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. All the merchants have signified their willingness to participate in the ceremonies and will be represented in the procession. The Decatur band will lead the procession followed by the Ex-Confederates, Old Settlers and Boy Scouts.

Summer School Notes

Mrs. L. E. Rosser and her music pupils have been giving recitals the past several days at the college which have been a delight to the summer school students.

Next Thursday the summer school closes at the college after one of the most successful sessions ever held in Wise county. Ninety-six students enrolled during the session. The examinations will begin in the college auditorium Monday morning.

Immediately after the close of the summer school H. W. Henderson will leave for Port Lavaca. Mr. and Mrs. Rosser will also spend a few days at Port Lavaca. W. B. Duke will leave for Olney where he has been elected superintendent of the Olney schools for the coming year. W. H. Galloway will leave next week for his home in Richardson. Brandon Trussell will attend the superintendent's meeting which assembles at the state capitol the last week in July.

Saturday the summer school students spent a delightful day picnicking at Sweetwater.

Miss Elizabeth Beatty spent a short time visiting her mother at Alvord this week.

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The Statements of Decatur Residents Are Surely More Reliable Than Those of Utter Strangers.

Home testimony is real proof.

Public statements of Decatur people carry real weight.

What a friend or neighbor says compels respect.

The word of the one whose home is far away invites your doubts.

Here's a Decatur woman's statement.

And it's for Decatur people's benefit.

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That's the kind of proof that backs Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. C. C. Bell, Decatur, says: "I consider Doan's Kidney Pills a very good medicine for trouble from the kidneys. I have found that they have a strengthening effect on the back and tone up the whole system. I have always heard Doan's Kidney Pills well spoken of and can add my [illegible] to their many endorsers."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Bell [illegible] Foster-Milburn Co., Proprietors, Buffalo, N. Y.

MISS TIDWELL IS MARRIED IN WACO

Former Decatur Girl Weds El Paso Man

On Saturday afternoon, July 1, at 2 o'clock, in the presence of only the family circle and other near relatives a home wedding of beautiful simplicity was solemnized when Miss Sallye Tidwell became the bride of Mr. Couch Roberts, of El Paso. Rev. J. B. Tidwell, father of the bride, performed the ceremony.

The bride is the only daughter of Dr. J. B. Tidwell of Baylor university, and is a girl of rare beauty and accomplishments. By her charm of manners and happy hearted disposition she became a favorite with the Baylor circle and a host of other friends in the city and elsewhere. Since graduating from Baylor university Miss Tidwell has achieved success as a primary teacher in the Marfa schools and it was while boarding in the home of the Roberts family that the romance began which culminated in this happy marriage. So in leaving her happy girlhood home she goes to those who already know and love her. The groom, though unknown in Waco, is a prosperous young ranchman of El Paso, and comes from one of the most prominent families in the west. He is a young man of fine business ability and personal worth.

Amid congratulations and good wishes the couple left on the Katy for an extended trip to California and other places of interest in the west. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will be at home in El Paso when his family and friends await to welcome them.

ALVORD

Alvord, July 5—Mrs. Othella Gose is here visising her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Murry.

Miss Schollie Payne is spending her vacation with her mother.

Mrs. M. W. Wade and children, of Dallas, are guests of Mrs. Whitlow.

The greater part of the population of Alvord went picnicing the fourth.

W. A. Covington and family and Terrell Collins and family left Wednesday for Clarendon and points in Colorado.

Mrs. White of Ennis, has been visiting her son and family here.

Mrs. Vernon Miles is spending the week with her parents.

Miss Lillian Burnett of Bowie, is a guest of the Misses Matthews.

Dr. Austin Leach left for Temple where he will serve in a hospital through vacation.

Mrs. Crump and children of St Joe, spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Dabney have a new daughter in their home.

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Will be at George & New Barns in Decatur tomorrow and all of next week.

14.1 to 15.3, and must be in good working order.

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News of Town and County

NEW DENVER SCHEDULE

NORTH BOUND	SOUTH BOUND
Arrive at Decatur	
No. 3, 11:07 a.m.	No. 8, 5:06 a.m.
No. 7, 12:45 a.m.	No. 4, 5:12 p.m.
Leave — Ft. Worth — Arrive	
No. 3, 9:30 a.m.	No. 8, 6:45 a.m.
No. 7, 11:05 p.m.	No. 4, 6:45 p.m.
Amarillo	
No. 3, 11:15 p.m.	No. 8, 5:50 p.m.
No. 7, 6:00 p.m.	No. 4, 5:45 a.m.
Arrive — Denver — Leave	
No. 7, 7:00 a.m.	No. 8, 11:30 p.m.

Misses Cara Frances and Rose Copley of Waco, have been visiting their grandmother, Mrs. C. W. Donald.

Mrs. Osgood Young of Marlin, is the guest of the family of G. G. Neilson.

J. A. Parr and Miss Merle Compton of Loveland, Okla., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Smith.

I. J. Hartsell was here from Bridgeport.

Neill Volkman and wife, Bruce Schulkey and Ernest Bowden were in Sanger last Sunday.

Hon. Marvin Jones, candidate for congress, spoke here last Monday morning. Hon. Reuben Ellerd, also a congressional candidate, spoke Monday afternoon. Both men had large audiences and were given close attention. They will speak here again during the reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. X. Sanders of Amarillo, were this week visiting Mrs. Donald.

We have all kinds and grades of cypress and cedar shingles. Figure with us. C. D. Shamburger Lumber Yard.

Geo. A. Darden of Dallas, visited old friends here Saturday. Mr. Darden operated a photo studio here many years ago.

John Donalds, a member of the valuation committee of the Katy road at Parsons, Kansas, spent several days here.

Carrier John Kendrick of route 5, is this week taking his annual vacation.

Buy for cash and save money by trading with A. V. McAnear.

Tommy Bly of Mountain Park, Oklahoma, has been visiting here.

Newt Crabtree and Jim Baits have bought and are now operating the operating the Mauldin dairy.

Misses Frances Collins and Margaret Ponder have returned from a visit to relatives in Fort Worth.

Fruit jars and rubbers, a good supply at McAnear's.

Paul Harding returned from Fort Worth Tuesday, and has since been doing nicely. Paul's many friends are glad to know he is on the road to

Mr. and Mrs. Billie McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Riddle left Monday for an auto trip to the coast.

Just received a large shipment of bois d'arc posts in several grades. C. D. Shamburger Lumber Yard.

The postoffice, banks and most of the stores observed the Fourth by closing. The larger part of the population went to Bridgeport, while a number visited Fort Worth.

Mrs. H. T. Alland is visiting her daughter in Dallas.

Rev. E. W. Marshall and family left Wednesday for Sanger, where Mr. Marshall has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Workman were in Sanger Wednesday.

Mrs. Margaret Collins of Chico, is visiting the fomily of Ben Collins.

"The Diamond From the Sky."

Those who are particular about flour try Blue Ribbon. Nothing better sold in Decatur. A. V. McAnear.

Capt. M. D. Sellars has been here this week arranging for the reunion next week.

M. D. Sellars has moved his family to Fort Worth, where they will reside. Mr. Sellars has bought an interest in a grocery there.

Always in the market for your butter, eggs, chickens at the best market price. A. V. McAnear.

The Bridgeport band has been reorganized and Prof. L. C. Edwards of Park Springs has been employed as leader.—Bridgeport Times.

L. L. Burress and W. D. Jones of Paradise, were here Saturday.

Rev. W. L. Ayers will begin a protracted meeting at Red Door Sunday, July 9.

Miss Gertrude Allison is visiting in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Caver of Fort Worth, motored to Decatur Tuesday to spend the day with relatives.

Marshal Evans was in Oklahoma on business this week.

Hon. T. J. McMurray was in Wichita Falls Tuesday, having been invited to address the Campbell club of that city.

Mr. M. H. Talbott will be in charge of our store during the reunion and invites his friends to call and make their local quarters here. Hill Drug Co.

Try our new coffee—nothing better at the same price. A. V. McAnear.

Walter Gililland was in Alvord this week where he closed a contract to do the plumbing work on the fine new home of Jim B. Thomas.

Mrs. K. M. Borum is very low at her home in South Deeatur.

The Decatur Masonic lodge regular monthly meetings will be held next Saturday night, July 8. The Chapter meets Monday night.

Edgar Borum of Matador and Jesse Borum of Floydada, have been here

Rev. Marshall and family left Tuesday for Sanger, where Bro. Marshall assumes charge of the Baptist pastorate.

E. L Brandenburg visited in Galveston several days the past week.

A number of our citizens attended the two days' picnic at Bridgeport this week.

City Marshal Evans reported several cases of speeding the past week.

Glenn Russell was in Greenwood on business Tuesday.

W. E. Krepps of Albuquerque, New Mexico has been here this week.

Emory Gose was here this week from Fort Worth.

Miss Mattie Harrison of Stamford, and Miss Vivian Potter of Bowie, are guests of Miss Mora Neilson.

A. C. Bennett and Doc Cartwright bought cattle in Fort Worth Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe Hill and daughter, Miss Vera, left Tuesday for a visit in Knoxville, Tenn.

Barney Shoemaker spent a few day this week in Fort Worth.

Misses Alma Dallas and Mineola Harding visited in Alvord this week.

Miss Maud Hogg is visiting in Dallas.

Newton Barker recently bought a nice bunch of cattie in Fort Worth with which to stock his pasture below town.

Misses Lucy Kelso and Lottie Richards of Fort Worth, are guests of Miss Katherine Frazer.

Miss Florentye Gibbon is visiting friends in Fort Worth.

Marriage licenses: J. C. Hamilton to Annie Lee Brown: Tom Dethloff to Hattie Farris.

Misses Margaret Ponder and Ora Moore attended the Bridgeport picnic Tuesday.

Misses Stella Mjaaland, Lela Nash and Lillian Krauss, who were members of Miss Christine Stuckey's houseparty, left yesterday for Denton where they will visit before returning thier homes in Kaufman.

The Majestic management announces that beginning Monday night his show at Joe Wheeler park will run throughout the reunion, day and night. A change of pictures will be made every three hours. The popular serial, "The Diamond from the Sky," will be shown there on Tuesday as usual.

Frank Butler, aged 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Butler of Dicey, was thrown from a mule and almost instantly killed Thursday. After being thrown the boy was dragged about 600 yards, the mule kicking him several times.—Bridgeport Times.

Manager Blythe of the Majestic is preparing his picture show at the reunion to run day and night during the picnic. He states he will have a splendid class of pictures and will change the program every three hours during the day and night. This show has always been one of the best attractions at the reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. Moss of Mineral Wells, are here spending several days with the family of their son, Daniel Jackson. Dr. Moss before retiring from the practice of medicine was one of the most prominent physicians in Louisiana. For several years he has spent the heated term in Mineral Wells.

Carl Roper, 16, was drowned in the rock pool, just south of the picnic grounds near Bridgeport Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Young Roper was in swimming wiih several smaller boys, and suffered an attack of cramps. His companions were too small to render him assistance, and he drownod before aid could be summoned. It was thirty minutes before the body was recovered. The unfortunate lad was the son of Jesse Roper of Bridgeport.

C. Y. Donald, one of the Messenger's substantial farmer friends living north of Decatur, states that he is a firm believer in the power of Messenger classified ads. Mr. McDonald recently advertised settings of fine eggs for sale, and from the ad he sold 46 settings. Every week these little ads are becoming more popular among the people. If you have anything for sale, want to buy some article at a bargain, want to rent a house, or have lost some valuable, it will pay you to put a classified ad in this paper. The cost is only one cent per word per week.

A. L. Alland of Groesbeck, has leased the building to the rear of the McCarter grocery, where he will soon open up a first-class machine shoe and boot shop for repairing business. All the machinery will be run by power. H. T. Allen is in Dallas today to help select the machinery.

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Lost

LOST—Dog on May 4, 1916: black back with yellow legs; medium size; left ear with block out about inch long; left fore leg cut across muscle of shoulder; little blue on breast. Reward of $5 for return of same to owner. J. E. WARE, Wizard Wells, Texas.

Strayed

STRAYED—Small mare mule, brown; white spot on right hip. Phone or write C. N. REID, Sunset. (1t)

STRAY MULE has taken up at my place, on route 8; mouse colored, 4 or 5 years old, scar on right hip. J. C. TUCKER, Route 8, Decatur.

Wanted

WANTED—About three furnished rooms for light housekeeping by man and wife; reference furnished. Write Postoffice Box 563, Decatur.

WANTED—Reliable party in Decatur to represent responsible manufacturing concern in demonstrating and selling line of household articles. Liberal proposition and money maker for one who will work. A fine opportunity for some industrious woman, high school girl or boy. All or part time. References required. W. C. ROSS MFG. CO., Little Rock, Ark. (31)

WANTED—To rent a piano; must be in good condition. Address Box 472, Decatur.

WANTED—Junk of all kinds; brass, metal, iron and rags; highest prices paid by W. Cohen, East Main street, Decatur.

For Rent

FOR RENT—Good six room house near Baptist college; good well water; sheds; good garden; pretty view. K. M. BORUM. (33-tf)

FOR RENT— My residence on West Main street; 6 rooms and bath. MRS. TURNER SMITH.

For Trade

FOR TRADE — Good house and two lots in La Lande, N. M. to trade for Decatur property or small farm nearby. ALFERD PHILLIPS, Decatur. (23)

For Sale

FOR SALE—Privilege of running a transfer auto in reunion grounds; $7.00 fee. Call at Decatur Motor Co., and inquire for Mr. Workman.

FOR SALE—Hay press; in good condition; at a bargain. J. L. BAITS.

FOR SALE—Wood saw and gasoline engine, 4 h. p; would trade. One 5-passenger Jackson auto; 1 2 passenger Jackson roadster. Will sell cheap or trade. DR. C. J. PARIS, Decatur.

FOR SALE—2nd lot from corner Cowan and Donald street, west side; 60x175 ft; desirable for residence. MRS. IDRIS CUNDIFF. (34)

FOR SALE—Good second-hand buggy and harness; price $35 Might consider trade. H. D. HEATH Jr. (36)

FOR SALE—or trade for second-hand Ford. Binder, mower, rake, grain drill and disc harrow. A big lot of galvanized iron roofing, 1 sulkey plow, 5 hand plows, 1 2 horse engine, 1 wagon, leather harness for 8 horses, set double buggy harness, 2 sets of single buggy harness, several collars, some smooth wire and a lot of other things too numerous to mention. M. V. ROBERTSON, Northeast Decatur.

FOR SALE—Part or all of my furniture, including stoves, cabinet, dining table and chairs, bed room suit, etc. Prices attractive for cash. W. H. GALLOWAY.

FOR SALE—Royal typewriter, No. 10; good as new; will sell cheap. IRA STEPP, Decatur.

POST OAK FENCE POSTS—For sale; 7 miles northeast of Decatur. Also cord wood. JAS. W. SMITH.

FOR SALE—Estey organ; good condition; terms to right party at a bargain. CHAS. DAVIS.

FOR SALE—Second-hand haying outfit; two-plunge Whitman; sulkey and buck rake and mower; will sell for half price. See C. I. OWENS, 5 1-2 miles north of Decatur [1t]

M. T. OATES & CO.—Of Rhome, Texas, are distributing agents for the Ford tractor in Wise and Denton counties and will demonstrate the tractor in Decatur a few days. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come and see this famous tractor in action. [34]

FOR SALE—Pumpkin yam and Nancy Hall potato slips for sale, $1.50 per 1000. J. J. ROBINSON, Chico, Rt. 1.

Good seasoned stove wood for sale $3.00 per double load. Phone 194 Call at Dallas grocery.

FOR SALE—Disc harrow, binder; cultivator and buggy; good condition, bargains. W. G. STANLEY. (31)

FOR SALE—Small farms and pasture lands for sale; 7 per cent interest on defered payment. H. H. HALSELL.

FOR SALE— 2 gas heaters and gas cook stove, cheap. MRS. TURNER SMITH.

FOR SALE—Good organ; o r will trade for stock. Tennls Beville.

FOR SALE—Several fresh jersey cows. C. B. MECASKEY, Decatur, Rt. 4, Box 73. (tf)

FOR SALE -- 84-acre farm near Willow Point. Small cash payment. balence on eaay terms. S. O. ROSSER, Cleburn, Texas. (25)

ORGAN—Farrand & Votey, cost $100 when new: in splendid condition and has excellent tone. Will sell at a BARGAIN. Call Southwestern telephone 201.

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The right tractor in the right place. The light, serviceable, low priced tractor has arrived at last. Until very recently it was thought that tractors were only practical in the big farms of Canada, and the Northern wheat raising states. But gradually smaller tractors of various designs and prices made their appearance with the result that the modern, up-to-date American farmers are adapting themselves to power farming.

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Any Ford dealer can in less than an hour give you complete instructions for operating, and any farm hand, in fact a boy can run it. It is the lowest priced tractor capable of pulling two or three plows, and the most simply constructed tractor on the market.

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32x3 1-2	-	11.50	37x4 1-2	-	24.50
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HER HUSBAND'S OFFICE.

A Story For Wives Who Just Drop In During Business Hours.

"Will you please," asks a secret suffe[rer], "write something about wives [who] make unexpected calls at their [hus]bands' offices? I am not guilty of [any]thing, but I think that even the most innocent of men suffers acutely when his wife visits him at his office. There is no way for me to make my wife understand this unless I appear boorish and brutal. Can't you say something about it? Many wives read your column."

Yes, friend, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. We will put it in the form of general propositions, hoping thereby to step on no individual toes. We hold these facts to be proved:

That no husband ever wants his wife to call on him at his office during business hours, except upon his invitation.

That no wife can know how she upsets his routine, disorders the mental processes that go on during those hours and subjects herself to the gossip of his office mates.

That there is no easy way to make a wife see this.

We proceed from these truisms to a few observations.

[The] lady creature breezes into her husband's office just because she happens to be passing. She says:

"Now, don't let me disturb you a minute—I know you are busy. Dearie, what good does that desk light do you at that angle? Don't you know you will ruin your eyes? What a mess your desk is in! Look at Mr. Officemate's—how neat it is! Well, just let me stick this little package in your lower drawer and you bring it home with you when you come.

"Well, I must run along, for you're busy. Come out to the elevator with me, dear; I want to speak to you. Who is that disreputable looking man who is waiting in the outer office to see you? Why, it's a perfect disgrace to have such callers!

"You have an appointment with him? How can you make an appointment with such a creature? Well, goodby, dear. Get your shoes shined before you come home—you look awfully sloppy."

And if husband protests against that call her eyes fill with innocent tears and she says:

"Why, I wasn't there five minutes, and you weren't working at anything when I came in! And men call on you and stay half an hour! Of course I'll never come again. Are you ashamed of your wife?"

The Bethlehem Music Festival.

The Bach festival at Bethlehem is one of the most interesting events in musical production in this country. Musically Bethlehem, Pa., is the most remarkable town or settlement in the United States." In 1780 Bethlehem had an orchestra, probably the first in the United States. In 1901 the Bethlehem music festival was marked by the first performance in America of Bach's complete Christmas oratorio. Bethlehem has been called "the American Oberammergau" and "the American Bairuth." The music festival is held each year.—New York Times.

Trebizond and Polo.

Polo probably came to us indirectly from Trebizond, where the Kabakmeidan, or Pumpkin square, was the site of a medieval polo ground. The game found great favor with the nobles of Trebizond and was played on horseback, much in the same way as modern polo. It produced intense excitement among the spectators, rivaling that of the hippodrome, possibly because it was dangerous as well as fashionable. Polo caused the death of one emperor of Trebizond—John ..., who was killed by a fall from his horse.—Westminster Gazette.

When in need of something advertise for it in the Messenger.

An Experiment With Sugar.

The following is a curious experiment, necessaries for which are very simple. Hold a few lumps of sugar, one at a time, in a pair of nippers and plunge them rapidly into collodion of 10 degrees (ordinary photographer's collodion); then place them in dry air for four and twenty hours to allow the ether completely to evaporate. They are still to all appearance common lumps of sugar, and you may safely place them on top of the sugar bowl without any risk of the trick being apparent to the eye. Now hand a glass of water to one of the spectators and beg him to put a lump of sugar in it, as you say you are thirsty for a glass of sweetened water. The sugar will fall to the bottom at first, just like an ordinary lump, but in a few moments it will remount to the surface and float there, greatly to the amazement of those present.

In reality it is no longer the sugar itself that we behold. The sugar, in fact, is dissolved in the water. What we now see is the ghost or double of a lump of sugar. The collodion penetrated every cavity of the sugar, and now, having got rid of its soluble companion while yet retaining the crystalline form and white appearance of the saccharine, the collodion shell floats upward to the top and stays there. But be careful! Though the illusion is an optical one, it will not bear the test of touch. Should any one of the spectators step in before you are aware and snatch at the ghost of your lost lump of sugar they will seize a soft and spongy nothing that will crumble into flinders at the touch.—Magical Experiments.

Strange Chinese Beliefs.

Among the many extraordinary customs of the Chinese is that of banding years together in groups of twelve, called "cycles," and naming each year of the series after some animal. Thus the first year of a new cycle is the year of the rat, the second the year of the ox, the third the year of the tiger. Every Chinese born in the year of the rat belongs to the Order of the Rat, and so on, says London Tit-Bits. The animal class of every Chinese man and woman is thus recorded and is held to be of great importance in foretelling the future. Another curious fact about the Chinese reckoning of time is that in the Celestial nation a child is held to be a year old as soon as it is born. With the foolish superstition so dear to the oriental mind, a baby boy is frequently given a girl's name in order to deceive the evil spirits, who apparently have an objectionable habit of making it as hard as possible to rear a male child successfully.

The Angry Oyster.

Many, many years ago a man walked by the shores of a large bay. At his feet lay a very ugly old oyster all covered with tiny shellfishes and seaweeds. As the traveler wandered about this water citizen, which looked to him like a rock, he kicked it to find out what it was and why it should be so covered. At such treatment the surprised oyster opened its wide mouth in astonishment and then tightly closed its shell. While the creature's mouth was open the man noticed the beautiful creamy layers within the shell, so he determined to find out more about his new acquaintance. He pried open the mouth of the oyster. This enraged the shellfish so that it snapped the heavy doors together, bruising the traveler's hand. As soon as possible the man released his pinched fingers and put them in his mouth to ease the pain. Almost instantly the hurting was forgotten, for as the man sucked his fingers he was delighted with the taste of the oyster. His was the first oyster feast.

Ever since people have been eating oysters and attending to growing them.

The Privileges of Boys.

Henry Clay said that when he was a boy his mother was very poor, but never too poor to buy the proper books for her children. He attributed the fact of his success in life to a good mother and good books. But think what greater opportunities there are for boys and girls in these days than in the time of Henry Clay, with all the public libraries to which boys and girls have access. Even in the country there is always some way to get books.

If you cannot meet great men in the flesh, you can sit down with them in their books. It is a great privilege to be able to know the thoughts of "kings and queens" from books that tell about them.

Henry Irving's Dog.

Henry Irving once had a dog who would sit at one side of the stage every night and remain until the performance was over. When Mr. Irving was leaving for the United States the dog went as far as Southampton. Greatly distressed, he saw his master leave by the boat, and then he disappeared. Three days afterward he was seen on the stage of a theater in London. He was mud from head to foot, and his feet were all cut and bleeding. He had made his way by foot from one place to the other, and so none knew how he found his way.

Parts of the Body.

This holds dear treasures of the past;
This next, as dross, one sees;
This, with first letter placed the last,
Reveals a row of trees.

This one is often in a pout;
This one, in war, may win;
Two letters from this one leaves out,
While two from this one, in.

Answers.—Chest, waist (waste), spine (pines), lips, arms, mouth (m-out-h), chin (ch-in).—Youth's Companion.

Apiarist Turns Out Swarm Before Club Members, but No Stings Follow.

Cleveland, O.—In the nursery story the queen sat in the parlor eating bread and honey, but even Mother Goose never saw 10,000 bees loose in a ballroom

But the latter sight was seen recently when Ernest R. Root of Medina, bee and honey expert, shook out a swarm of bees into the white and gold ballroom of the Woman's club, this city, to show members of the club how easily the little honey makers may be handled if one knows how.

There were swift glances toward the door when Mr. Root proposed to open the little case that held the bees. "Don't be in the least afraid. They will not sting you even if they should happen to light on you," promised Mr. Root.

He scooped up a handful of the bees out of the thick, moving brown mass, put them in his hat, clapped his hat on his head and went on with his talk.

TWO BEDS REQUIRED FOR A GIANT BOY OF 15

Prisoner Measuring Six Feet Four Was Cause of Worry to New York Children's Society.

New York.—Children's society officials had all kinds of trouble with fifteen-year old Theodore Olsen, who stands six feet four inches in his socks. This young giant had not been able to find a bed in the place that would fit him. He had been sleeping in two beds placed together, with the cover pieces out. Subterfuge had been discovered to make Theodore fit one of the children's bathtubs or to find one to fit him.

Olsen was arrested after he had called the janitor of an apartment house here to help him extinguish a blaze that he admits he started in the dumbwaiter shaft. He says he had started five similar fires in the upper west side, but had always extinguished them himself, because his desire was not to see the engines dash by, but just to see the blaze.

Theodore left school because of the embarrassment caused by his abnormal size. He became a delivery boy for a grocer, and he says that after delivering an order on the dumbwaiter he would start a blaze at the bottom of the shaft among the old papers and other waste that he frequently found there. Theodore lives with his parents in this city.

MAY BOYCOTT A DEADBEAT.

Merchants of Topeka, Kan., Plan to Organize For That Purpose.

Topeka, Kan.—Attorney General S. M. Brewster has announced a ruling that the merchants of a city or the state could form a trust or order a boycott against the deadbeat. The Topeka merchants have worked out a scheme whereby each merchant is to make a report monthly of his customers who do not pay regularly or have not satisfactorily adjusted their accounts.

These reports are then to be forwarded to every other merchant in the local association, and they are to refuse credit to any of those on the blacklist.

There are some lawyers who have held that the merchants could not form an association to boycott the deadbeat without violating the anti-trust laws. The plan of the Topeka organization was submitted to the attorney general, and he has advised the merchants that such an organization would be legal.

CATTLE FEAR DOG.

Herd Ran Over a Horse and Buggy In Their Terror.

Arlington, Ky.—E. W. Benson of Bardwell had a novel experience the other day. While driving along the road out of Barlow, Mr. Benson saw a herd of yearlings ahead of him turn into a lane. In a few seconds he also noticed a dog sneaking in the direction of the cattle.

The dog made a dive for the herd, and they made a run for the road, arriving there just as Mr. Benson drove up, and the cattle ran over the horse and buggy, knocked the horse down and came near turning the buggy over. In their mad haste to get away from the dog one of the calves fell, going under the buggy. Mr. Benson says this is the first time he was ever run over by a herd of cattle.

HER BARE LEGS SHOCKED.

Stockingless Woman Almost Caused Riot In Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, O.—The eyes of downtown crowds in the fashionable shopping district almost popped out of their sockets at the sight of a richly dressed woman who stalked with limbs bared to the knees through the streets.

Police had to be called to disperse the crowd and rescue the woman. She refused her name.

Rat Carries Away Glasses.

Evansville, Ind.—John Stark, a merchant, struck at a rat in his stable, and his glasses fell in such a position that they formed a yoke in the path of the rat, into which it ran. The glasses stuck and the rat escaped into a hole, carrying Stark's favorite lenses. Stark dug into the hole, but found no trace of his glasses and is convinced they still are being carried by the rat.

OF HIS DECISION.

Colonel Roosevelt will support the Republican nominee, Hughes, in the presidential race.

In a letter to Progressive leaders he makes such announcement: He reviews the Progressive party's history, the present political situation and continues:

"In my judgment, the nomination of Mr. Hughes meets the conditions set forth in the statement of the Progressive national committee, issued last January, and in my own statements Under existing conditions, the nomination of a third ticket would, in my judgment, be merely a move in the interst of the election of Mr. Wilson. I regord Mr. Hughes as a man whose record is a guarantee that he will not merely stand for a program of clean-cut straight-out Americanism before election, but will resolutely and in good faith put it through if elected He is beyond all comparison better fitted to be president than Mr. Wilson I shall, therefore, strongly support Mr. Hughes Therefore, it is unnecessary to say I must decline the nomition of a third party."

MAY BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

FORTY-SEVEN SETS OF TWINS AND FOUR CENTENNARIANS DIE.

Report of the Texas state board of health for May shows 142 cases of smallpox, with nineteen deaths; forty-seven cases of scarlet fever, with one death; thirty-two cases of diphtheria, with twelve deaths; seventy-one cases of typhoid fever, with fifty-two deaths; eighty-two new cases of tuberculosis, with 289 deaths. Eight new cases of typhus fever were reported—six from El Paso, one from Laredo and one from Frio county.

Statistics showed 4,241 births, 1,945 being white and 175 black. Forty-seven sets of twins were born, all but three being white.

Total deaths were 2,619. Tuberculosis claimed the most victims; 196 from diarrhoea and enteritis of children under two years of age; Bright's disease, 132.

Of the deaths, four were of persons 100 years and over.

Pioneer Journalist Dies.

At his residence in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas Rev. T. R. Burnett, a clergyman of the Christian church and pioneer journalist, died, aged seventy-four years. He founded the Bonham News and Ladonia Enterprise, the Christian Messenger and Burnett's Budget. He served with Polignac's brigade during the civil war and wrote "Confederate Rhymes," compiled from poems and short stories. He did church work until a few days of his death.

Life for Hadley, Wife Held Insane.

At Muskogee, Okla., Mrs. Ida Hadley, charged with the murder of Sheriff Jake Giles of Beaumont, Tex., on a train, was adjudged insane. Paul V. Hadley, her husband, was given life imprisonment. Verdict means Mrs. Hadley must be confined in an insane asylum. When the verdict was read the woman screamed and fell from her seat and became hysterical. Hadley tried to comfort her. She was taken bodily from the courthouse.

Held Without Bail.

R. J. Moreau, charged with murder in connection with the Goodnight tragedy at Wills Point, Tex., waived an examining trial and was remanded to jail at Canton without bail. His wife, daughter of the Goodnights, who received a blow on the head, has about recovered.

Run Over by Train.

W. E. Foster, a mechanic employed by the Texas and Pacific company in the Strawn (Palo Pinto county) oil fields, was run over and killed by a train near Strawn. His body was cut in a number of places and scattered half a mile. He was about thirty-five years old and unmarried.

German Guardship Blown Up.

A small German guardship was blown up by a mine off coast of Sweden. All but one of crew were saved.

THE MARKETS.

Dallas Cotton and Grain.

Dallas, June 26.—Strict good middling, 13.90c: middling fair, 14.55; good middling, 13:55; middling, 13.15; strict low middling, 12:77; low middling, 12.40; strict good ordinary, 11:90; good ordinary, 11.60.

Grain—Wheat: Per bushel, at Dallas mills, $1.05, No. 2 basis, soft.

Corn: White, 82 to 84 1-2; mixed, 78 to 81, delivered in car lots at mill.

Oats: Texas red, 40 to 42 in sacks, 37 to 40 in bulk.

Fort Worth Livestock.

Fort Worth, June 26.—Cattle: Cows, $4 to $6.50; heifers, $5 to $8.00; bulls, $4 to $5.75; calves, $4 to $8.75; stockers, $5.00 to $6.85.

Hogs: $7.50 to $9.65; pigs, $4.50-7.00

Sheep: $7 to $8.25; lambs, $9 to $9.50; goats, $4 to $4.75.

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OPENS SATURDAY, JULY 8, AT 9 A. M. CLOSES ON SATURDAY, JULY 22

Men's Furnishings

Men's white hemstitched handkerchiefs, 10c value at..... **7c**
Men's suspenders, worth 25c at only..... **18c**
Men's suspenders, 50c value, silk and lisle web at..... **43c**
Men's 50c Athletic shirts and drawers at only..... **43c**
Men's 50c Porous Knit shirts and drawers only..... **43c**
Men's $1.00 Porous Knit and Athletic union suits only....**89c**
Men's 50c work shirts, extra good value; if we should buy them on todays market would sell them at 65c, but we now have them on sale for only..... **45c**
One lot men's dress shirts, good styles and patterns..... **89c**
One lot men's hats, regular $1.50 grade, to close out for. **98c**
Mens $2.00 hats in noveltys and staples at..... **$1.38**
Mens $2.50 hats in noveltys and staples at..... **$1.98**
Mens $3.00 hats in noveltys and staples at..... **$2.68**
We have one lot of men and boy's hats to be sold. Enuff sed.

Men and Boys Oxfords

One lot of Bion F. Reynolds oxfords, $5.00 value only...**$4.48**
One lot of Edwin Clapp oxfords $6.50 and $7 value for. **$4.98**
One lot of Hamilton Brown oxfords, all leather, in tan or black button or lace, nifty styles, regular $3.50 values on sale for only..... **$2.98**
One lot of Hamilton Brown oxfords, all leather, in tan and black, button or lace, nifty styles, regular $4.00 values now on sale for only..... **$3.28**
One lot of Fairfield oxfords, all leather, button or lace, regular $2.50 value for only..... **$2.28**

Men and Boys' Clothing

On Saturday morning, July 8th, at 9 o'clock, we will start a big sale on our men and boys' clothing. Come early and get your choice before they are picked over. We will also make a big reduction on all men and boys' trousers.

Ladies' Ready-to-Wear

Ladies $5.00 skirts at only..... **$3.38**
Ladies' $6.00 skirts at only..... **$4.48**
Ladies' $3.50 skirts at only..... **2.68**
Ladies' $2.50 skirts at only..... **$.198**
A large assortment of ladies' house dresses in ginghams and percales at only..... **98c**
Ladies' white bonnets, good quality, on sale at only..... **15c**
Big Reduction on all Dresses

Staple Dry Goods

Calicos in light and dark colors at only..... **5c**
Bleached Pepperel sheeting, 9-4, only..... **26** 1-2c
Bleached Pepperel sheeting, 10-4, only..... **28** 1-2c
Hope domestic, best grade 10c value, at 12 yards for.... **$1.00**
Good grade bleached domestic, 10c value only..... **8** 1-3c yd
Brown domestlc, extra good value for 8 1-3 at only...**7** 1-2c yd

Summer Dress Goods

6 to 7 1-2c figured lawns..... **5c**
10c figured lawn only..... **7** 1-2c
15c crepes and stripes lawn..... **11c**
18c tissue gingham. regular 25c value only..... **14c**
25c flowered organdies, exceptional value at 25c only.... **20c**
A few pieces of striped emproidered voil, regular 25c value; a pickup for only..... **15c**
Striped suitings in blue and rose stripes, just the thing for sport coats or skirts, 36 inches wide, only..... **16** 1-2c yd
A big range of colors in stripe voil, 40 in wide, a beautiful cloth at only..... **20c** yd
A good range of colors in silk suitings in staples and plaids; regular 65c values at only..... **48c**
Palm beach suitings, regular 65 and 75 cent values at **48c**
Striped Shantung silk in the leading shades, regular 75c value now priced for only per yard..... **63c**

Notions at a Big Reduction

Good quality safety pins only..... **4c doz**
6 spools Clark's O. N. T. thread..... **25c**
6 spools San Silk..... **25c**
6 spools Clark's crochet thread..... **25c**
Talcum powder, regular 25c cans for only..... **15c**
Pearl buttons, regular 10c value for only..... **7c**
Pearl buttons good value..... **4c**

Window Scrim

We have a big line of scrim in the leading designs that we are going to close out at a big reduction. The season has just opened for this classs of goods and it will pay you to investigate. Call in today while the line is complete.
25c scrim at only..... **19c**
15c scrim at only..... **11c**

Ladies and Childrens Oxfords at a Big Saving

The leather market is going higher all the time but we are going to place our entire line of ladies and and childrens slippers in this sale at a big reduction. We handle the well known brands such as the Selby, Hamilton Brown, and Godman. It will pay you to visit our shoe department and see what a saving you can make, because we are going to clean out our slippers and make room for fall shoes. Come and buy you an all leather slipper, and something up to date at a ridiculous low price.

Ladies Furnishings

Ladies' Handkerchiefs at only..... **3c**
Ladies' embroidered handkerchiefs, 10c value only..... **7c**
Ladies' 25c handkerchiefs only..... **19c**
Ladies' short silk gloves, all colors at only..... **45c**
Gossard corsets, $2.00 value for only..... **$1.68**
Gossard corsets, $2.50 value for only..... **$2.18**
Kabo corset, best $1.50 corset on the market at only..... **$1.38**

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We will give to the first five women making a purchase in our store of 50c or more, a ticket calling for $1.00 worth of any merchandise in the house FREE!!!

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